

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: Bernd Salomon-Bahls  
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**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

In response to the Office Action mailed August 20, 2008, Applicant respectfully submits this paper comprising the following parts:

- I. Listing of Claims**, page 2; and
- II. Remarks**, beginning on page 8.

Applicants note that the Transmittal to which this paper is attached includes a Certificate of Electronic Transmission under 37 C.F.R §1.8; and a fee statement calculating any fees presently due in connection with the filing of this paper, along with an authorization to charge any fee deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.